August 7, 1942 Atty. J. Mercer Burrell 23 Howard Street Newark, N. J. Dear Counsellor: I am in receipt of your letter of August 3rd and must apologize for my delay in enswering. I have been trying to arrange some way to be able to take part in your program on the 18th. I have just learned definitely I will have to go to Chicago for the 16th for the East-West game, and to Cleveland the 18th for our Benefit Game for the Army and Navy Relief. I am really sorry I will not be able to be with you. I will leave here for the west this coming Wednesday. If there is anything I can to to assist in the meantime, I will be very glad to do so. I am enclosing a check for \$5.00 towards the Cigarette Fund. I hope it will help some. Very truly yours, EM: vh